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What is claimed is :

1. A frame synchronous pattern processing
5 apparatus comprising:

a data switch section for performing a data rearrangement processing of parallel data obtained by serial/parallel conversion of multiplexed serial data having a frame synchronous pattern based on an SDH transmission system so that said frame synchronous pattern is leading one;

a temporary region detection section for temporarily detecting a candidate of region data which may contain said frame synchronous pattern from said parallel data and for serializing said temporary region data;

a frame synchronous pattern detection section for detecting said frame synchronous pattern from said temporary region data obtained by said temporary region detection section; and

a data switch control section for controlling said data rearrangement processing by said data switch section according to the detection state of said temporary region data by said temporary region detection section and to the detection state of said frame synchronous pattern by said frame synchronous

pattern detection section.

2. A frame synchronous pattern processing apparatus according to claim 1:

5 wherein said temporary region detection section comprises:

a temporary position information detection section for detecting temporary position information of said frame synchronous pattern in said

10 parallel data; and

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a temporary region data hold section for serially holding a given region parallel data including a reference position based on said temporary position information detected by said temporary position information detection section as said temporary region data by turns and serially outputting said parallel data.

3. A frame synchronous pattern processing
20 apparatus according to claim 2:

wherein said temporary position information detection section comprises :

an A1 byte detection section for detecting an A1 byte from said parallel data;

an A2 byte detection section for detecting an A2 byte from said parallel data; and

a switching control section for switching the

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detection operations of said A1 byte detection section and said A2 byte detection section in response to the detection timing of said A1 byte and A2 byte;

in which the detection position of said A2 byte is supplied to said temporary region data hold section as said temporary position information when said A2 byte is detected in said A2 byte detection section after the detection of said A1 byte in said A1 detection section by the switching operation of said switching control section.

- 4. A frame synchronous pattern processing apparatus according to claim 3:
- wherein said Al byte detection section is composed to detect one byte of said Al byte for each Al byte leading position which may exist in said parallel data;

and said A2 byte detection section is composed 20 to detect one byte of said A2 byte for each A2 byte leading position which may exist in said parallel data.

5. A frame synchronous pattern processing 25 apparatus according to claim 3:

wherein said switching control section comprises a control section for stopping said

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detection operation of said A1 byte detection section and starting said detection operation of said A2 byte detection section, when an A1 byte is detected by said A1 byte detection section, and on the other hand, stopping said detection operation of said A2 byte detection section and starting said detection operation of said A1 byte detection section, when an A2 byte is detected by said A2 byte detection section.

10 6. A frame synchronous pattern processing apparatus according to claim 5 :

wherein said control section is composed using a JK type flip-flop circuit.

7. A frame synchronous pattern processing apparatus according to claim 3:

wherein said switching control section comprises an invalidation processing section for determining a validity/invalidity of said temporary region data based on the detection state of said Al byte in said Al byte detection section and the detection state of said A2 byte in said A2 byte detection section, and when said temporary region data is invalid, for performing an invalidation processing so as to inhibit the supply of said temporary position information to said temporary region data hold section.

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8. A frame synchronous pattern processing apparatus according to claim 7:

wherein said invalidation processing section is composed to compare the leading position of said A1 byte detected in said A1 byte detection section and the leading position of said A2 byte detected in said A2 byte detected in said A2 byte detection section, to determine said temporary region data invalid when respective leading positions are different, and to perform said invalidation processing.

9. A frame synchronous pattern processing apparatus according to claim 8:

wherein said invalidation processing section comprises an Al byte leading position hold section for temporarily holding the leading position of said Al byte detected in said Al byte detection section; and

a comparison section for comparing the leading position of said A1 byte held in said A1 byte leading position hold section and the leading position of said A2 byte detected in said A2 byte detection section;

in which said invalidation processing section is composed to determine said temporary region data invalid when the leading position of said A1 byte and

the leading position of said A2 byte are determined different through the comparison in said comparison section and to perform said invalidation processing.

- 10. A frame synchronous pattern processing 5 apparatus according to claim 7 : invalidation processing section said wherein comprises a timer for counting a given period of time upon the detection of said A1 byte in said A1 byte detection section; and said invalidation processing 10 section is composed to determine said temporary region data invalid when said A2 byte is not detected in said A2 byte detection section until the end of the counting operation of said timer and to perform said invalidation processing. 1.5
  - 11. A frame synchronous pattern processing apparatus according to claim 7:

wherein said invalidation processing section

20 comprises an Al byte continuity monitoring section
for monitoring if said Al byte is continuously
detected in said Al byte detection section; and

said invalidation processing section is composed to determine said temporary region data invalid when the continuity of said Al byte is not confirmed in said Al byte continuity monitoring section and said A2 byte is not detected in said A2

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byte detection section, and to perform said invalidation processing.

12. A frame synchronous pattern processing 5 apparatus according to claim 2:

wherein said temporary position information detection section comprises ;

an A1/A2 byte detection section for simultaneously detecting said A1 byte and said A2 byte from a plurality of time slots of said parallel data, and

when said A1 byte and said A2 byte are simultaneously detected in said A1/A2 byte detection section, said temporary position information detection section supplies the detection position to said temporary region data hold section as said temporary position information.

13. A frame synchronous pattern processing 20 apparatus according to claim 2:

wherein said temporary region data hold section
comprises :

a plurality of shift stages having, according to the parallel factor of said parallel data, multiple stages of shift circuits for temporary holding and shifting input data; and when said temporary position information is detected in said

temporary position information detection section, said temporary region data hold section serializes parallel input data by sequentially connecting the output from the shift circuit of the lower stage side in said shift stages to the input of the shift circuit of the higher stage side and, by connecting the output from the shift circuit of the highest stage in said shift stages to the input of the shift circuit of the lowest stage of following shift stages.

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- 14. A frame synchronous pattern processing apparatus according to claim 2 further comprising a mask processing section for masking the output from said temporary region data hold section upon the input of parallel data except said temporary region data.
- 15. A frame synchronous pattern processing apparatus according to claim  $\boldsymbol{1}$ :
- wherein said frame synchronous pattern detection section is composed to perform said frame synchronous pattern detection using serialization processing of said temporary region data in cooperation with said temporary region detection section.
  - 16. A frame synchronous pattern processing

apparatus according to claim 1 :

wherein said data switch control section is composed to generate as a control signal for said data switch section a data shift amount corresponding to the period of time from the detection of said temporary region data in said temporary region detection section to the detection of said frame synchronous pattern in said frame synchronous pattern detection section.

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17. A frame synchronous pattern processing apparatus according to claim 16:

wherein said data switch control section comprises a counter for counting the count value corresponding to the number of parallels of said parallel data upon the detection of said temporary region data in said temporary region detection section; and said data switch control section is composed to supply as said data shift amount to said data switch section the counted value of said counter at the time when said frame synchronous pattern is detected in said frame synchronous pattern detection section.

- 25 18. A frame synchronous pattern detection apparatus comprising:
  - a temporary region detection section for

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temporarily detecting a candidate of region data which may contain a frame synchronous pattern from multiplex data including said frame synchronous pattern based on a SDH transmission system; and

a frame synchronous pattern detection section for detecting said frame synchronous pattern from said temporary region data detected in said temporary region detection section.

- 10 19. A frame synchronous pattern detection
  apparatus comprising:
  - a temporary region detection section for temporarily detecting a candidate of region data which may contain a given frame synchronous pattern from data including said frame synchronous pattern; and
  - a frame synchronous pattern detection section for detecting said frame synchronous pattern from said temporary region data detected in said temporary region detection section.
  - 20. A frame synchronous pattern detection method apparatus for temporarily detecting a candidate of region data which may contain a given frame synchronous pattern from data including said frame synchronous pattern, and for detecting said frame synchronous pattern from said temporary region

data.